

MSWCA

mississippi writing center association



2019 MSWCA Conference Information

Conference Dates: March 22-23, 2019

- March 22: 5 PM - 6:30 PM
- March 23: 8 AM - 6 PM

Host Institutions: Mississippi College, Hinds Community College

- Hinds Community College in Raymond, MS (3/22, 2019) - Meet & Greet Gathering
- Mississippi College in Clinton, MS (3/23, 2019) - Conference Presentations

Conference Theme: Connect & Collaborate: Moving from Vision to Action

Conference Chair: Lingshan Song

Call for Proposals

Submission deadline: February 20, 2019

Notification of acceptance: February 28, 2019

Our conference theme for the 2019 MSWCA conference is **“Connect & Collaborate: Moving from Vision to Action.”** It invites us to unpack the term “collaboration” and reflect on our understanding of collaboration and ways to collaborate.

As writing center practitioners, we connect and collaborate all the time. Tutors connect and collaborate with writers; administrators connect and collaborate with tutors; administrators connect and collaborate with colleagues to offer and gain support; writing centers connect and collaborate with each other within the state, across the country, even overseas. In reality, we also frequently *talk* about making connections and collaborating. However, all too often, our great ideas remain ideas; our grand visions stay in our minds.

For the conference, we welcome proposals on any writing center related research and practice, but particularly invite proposals that reflect on how writing center practitioners define, explore, and negotiate “collaboration” that we all experience and practice on daily basis, in diverse contexts, and across cultures – even globally:

- What makes a collaboration possible and successful?
- How do you define an effective collaboration?
- What challenges do you encounter in collaborations?
- How does race/gender/class/ability/culture diversity impact collaborations?
- What stops us from taking action when it comes to collaboration?
- How do we or how might we assess or research “collaboration” in our writing centers?
- How do we make our connections and collaborations visible and valuable to administrators and other stakeholders?
- How can we collaborate to advance the growth of MSWCA?

MSWCA hopes for conference participants to gain collective insights on different perspectives of collaboration and explore opportunities to connect and collaborate across the state of Mississippi and with partners around the globe.

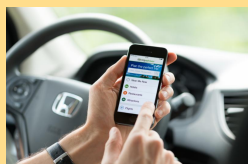
Types of Proposals:

- Panel Presentations (1 hour and 15 minutes)
- Interactive Workshops (1 hour and 15 minutes)
- Roundtable Discussions (1 hour and 15 minutes)
- Individual Presentations (20 minutes)
- Poster Presentations

Submission Guidelines:

- 750 word limit - Panel proposals
- 500 word limit - Collaborative/interactive proposals
- 250 word limit - Individual and poster proposals

Submit your proposal online: [Click Here](#)



conference locations:

Hinds Community College
in Raymond, MS (3/22)
Mississippi College
in Clinton, MS (3/23)



keynote speaker:

Jackie Grutsch McKinney
IWCA President,
English Professor at
Ball State University



suggested hotel: Hilton Garden Inn

group rate: \$105/night
contact: Margaret Harris
call: 601-750-1508
booking code: MSWCA

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